In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph at page 13, line 14 with the following:

PBMC were isolated from fresh whole blood by Ficoll density centrifugation. T-cells were purified by two rounds of treatment with Lympho-kwik (One Lambda, Canoga Park, CA). T-cell purity was verified by lack of a proliferative response to phytohemaglutin ("PHA") or ~~[???]~~ PMA in the absence of accessory cells. The human CD3-specific mAb HIT3a (PharMingen) was bound to 96-well plates at the indicated concentrations and used in this form to provide a first activating signal to T-cells. Alternatively, PHA was used in soluble form as a source of a first signal. K562 cells transfected with the negative control vector pREP7β (K562/pREP7β) were precoated with pal-prot A and secondarily coated with B7-1·Fcγ_1. For each proliferation assay, 1 x 10^5 T-cells were incubated with 4 x 10^4 B7-1·Fcγ_1-coated and mitomycin C-treated K562/REP7β cells for 60 h at 37° C. Wells were pulsed with 1 μCi [^{3}H]thymidine for the last 16 h of the incubation period. Cells were harvested and counted on a Betaplate liquid scintillation counter.